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WASH SHIRTS BUT BRANCH BATHS BACK AT LINGERIE CROWDED DAILY

Laundrymen Form State Association to Settle Problems of Family Trade.

Driven almost to desperation because of the problem of the "family wash," several representative laundrymen of the city met last night to formulate a plan by which they might get together and solve the riddle. The result was that the Virginia and West Virginia Laundrymen Association was organized for the general good of the business, but particularly to take charge of the family proposition and eliminate the washerwoman by giving a more satisfactory service. The following officers were elected: President, R. B. Gordon; Vice-President, R. A. Stowe; Secretary, W. H. Bowles; Treasurer, R. L. Branner.

Will Hold Convention. With the aid of the Chamber of Commerce, it was decided to have a convention of the newly organized body in this city July 18 and 19, as to get the best men from this State and West Virginia to discuss many questions that are vexing them at this time. The sessions of the convention will be held in the auditorium of the Jefferson Hotel, and will be addressed by Business Manager William T. Dabney, of the Chamber of Commerce, and President R. L. Peters, of the Common Council.

It is expected that from 100 to 125 people will be present. The committee appointed are: Entertainment—M. B. Florsheim, W. H. Bowles, R. L. Branner. Reception—R. B. Gordon, J. R. Hutchison, R. A. Stowe. Publicity—Jefferson Powell and Geo. W. Briggs.

The entire expense of the convention will be borne by the Richmond membership of the association. Besides the business there will be a smoker, automobile rides and other forms of entertainment. This is the first attempt ever made by the laundrymen to form an association of this kind, and every effort will be made to make it a success by getting together here the majority of men in this business in the two States to take part in the convention. In addition to this, delegates will be elected to the National Laundrymen Association, which will be held in Chicago, next month. They will be instructed to land the next meeting of the national body for this city if possible. The Chamber of Commerce has already offered its support, and probably have a representative to attend the Chicago convention. It should bring to this city at least 2,500 persons.

The Stumbling Block. This is the question that confronts the laundrymen, who must have this kind of labor, are becoming more and more trifling.

Day by day owners of cleansing establishments are receiving calls begging them to take the family washing. When they do take it, prices are too high and generally people revert to the old and unsatisfactory scrubbers, who do not give good results because they cannot stand the rate for all articles that they pay for "billed" shirts and collars.

The laundry people recognize the fact as well as those with the washing, but their present equipments are not adequate to cope with the situation. They do not mind taking care of men's wear and the usual run of stuff, but when it comes to taking care of the family wash, they are in a very different proposition. They claim that in order to keep up with the style in women's apparel they must change machinery nearly every year. The cogs that cleaned and starched the peek-a-bo waist will have to go to the junk pile with some other style cogs in vogue next year. It is, therefore, no wonder that it will require experts from two States to concoct a plan by which every article may be handled satisfactorily and at a reasonable price.

DOCTORS TO MEET

Academy of Medicine and Surgery Will Meet. Papers on Professional Topics. The Richmond Academy of Medicine and Surgery will hold its regular meeting to-night at 8:30 o'clock at the building of the Travelers' Protective Association, Third and Main Streets. At this time several papers of interest to the medical fraternity will be read and discussed by prominent physicians. A paper on "Vaso-Motor Disturbances of the Menopausal" will be read by Dr. Edward McGuire, and will be discussed by Dr. John N. Gresham. "Acute Diseases of Infants" will be taken up by Dr. J. Burton Nowlin, and will be discussed by Drs. C. A. Blanton and McGuire Newton. The program will be concluded by a treatise on the nose and throat by Dr. C. M. Miller.

Decide on Primary Plan. A meeting of the Henrico County Democratic Committee will be held in the office of Chairman Charles W. Williams in the American Bank Building to-day at noon. The purpose of the meeting will be to decide upon a plan for the primary. The date has been fixed as August 5, the same as the State primary. The only candidate to be nominated by the county primary is for the Legislature, and that is between Charles W. Throckmorton and Thomas P. Davis.

Married in Washington. Bernard W. Glass and Miss Pearl A. Leggon, of this city, were married in Washington yesterday afternoon. On their return here the couple will live at 205 North Eighteenth Street.

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RICHMOND WAS NOT HURT BY CRISIS

Chamber of Commerce Annual Report Shows Increased Business in Panic Year.

BANKS ARE IN FINE SHAPE

Slight Decrease in Clearings, but Surplus and Profits Are Larger Than Ever.

In the absence of President Frank D. Williams, who is out of the city on account of illness, First Vice-President Henry W. Wood, of the Chamber of Commerce, issued yesterday his annual report covering the operations of the chamber during 1908. Mr. Wood particularly emphasizes the fact that though the financial crisis which started late in 1907 had a damaging effect on industries in every part of the United States, the commercial interests of this city had suffered very little in comparison, and that by the end of last year they had practically recovered. "The actual volume of the business of the jobbing trade of Richmond, as shown by the statistics obtained by the chamber amounted to \$66,531,515, or about 3.1-2 per cent. increase over that of the preceding year," said Mr. Wood, in discussing the business operation of 1908. "The output of manufacturers for 1908 was \$79,807,693. This was a slight decrease from the figures of 1907, but only one-third of 1 per cent, and this falling off was largely due to curtailed operations in some lines of foundry and machine works, especially that of the American Locomotive Works. If we eliminate the construction work from the figures for the year, the general manufacturers of the city show an increase over the previous year.

Banks in Fine Condition. "The bank clearings for 1908 amounted to \$248,532,561, and show a slight decrease compared with the previous year, although our financial institutions were never in better condition, and did a good business during the year, making a net increase in their surplus and undivided profits, of \$222,191.25, the total of the banking capital, including surplus and undivided profits, being to-day \$1,330,021.14. The deposits in our banks at the end of 1908 showed a decided increase over those of 1907, the total deposits at the close of the year being \$33,707,452, an increase of \$1,263,511 over those at the close of 1907."

Secretary R. A. Dunlop, Traffic Manager E. S. Goodman, and Business Manager William T. Dabney are highly commended in the report for their work during the year. In regard to Mr. Dabney's activities in securing new members, the report shows that at the beginning of the year 1908 there were 546 members on the roll paying a membership fee of \$10 per year each. At the annual meeting in that year a different schedule of dues was adopted, raising the membership fees so that the range of dues is from \$5 to \$200. Through Mr. Dabney's efforts, the membership now numbers 695, and the amount contributed annually to the support of the chamber by these members is \$18,387.54, as against about \$8,500 indicated under the old schedule. The pamphlet which has been mailed to all members of the chamber, and many other committees, also the full report of the Committee on Inland Trade and Membership. In the first of these is contained the report of the Traffic Bureau for the year.

CAMPAIGN EXPENSES

City Sergeant Smith Pays Out \$700.02, but Loses Fight. City Sergeant J. C. Smith filed his campaign expenses in the recent primary with Clerk Walter Christian, of the Hustings court, yesterday morning, the amount showing that he had spent \$769.02. Of this amount \$200 was credited to his primary assessment. Commonwealth's Attorney Polkes also filed his account, which amounted to \$186.45, \$100 of which was his primary assessment.

Traveling in Europe. Wilburn B. Snyder, Robert Brook, Jr., and Robert G. Willis, of Richmond, and James L. Stringfellow, of Culpeper, Va., sailed from New York last Saturday for a tour of Europe. While away they will visit England, France, Germany, Switzerland, Scotland and other countries.

Got Ninety Days. Frank Gross, colored, was sentenced to ninety days in jail from the Hustings court, yesterday morning, on a charge of malicious wounding.

Marriage License. A marriage license was issued yesterday to Charles H. Dandridge and Goldie Hawkins.

THEATRE MEN FIGHT ON STREET

Assistant Manager and Former Usher Mix, and Are Arrested.

J. A. Riddick, assistant manager of the Lubin Theatre, and A. L. Tenser, Jr., a former usher, were arrested last night on a charge of fighting on the street. The difficulty occurred about 10 o'clock, when a large crowd was out on the street, and many people gathered to witness the combat. People in the crowd endeavored to separate them, but they were not taken apart until a sergeant of police and an officer arrive on the scene. Both were placed under arrest, and taken to the Second Station, where they were almost immediately released.

According to Mr. Riddick, Tenser came to him while he (Riddick) was on duty, and struck him in the eye without warning, because, as he alleges, Tenser had practically been fired the week before. The blow, he said, caught him off his guard. But when he had gathered himself together, he went after the assailant, and both fell in the curbing where Mr. Riddick had Tenser pinned to the ground. Tenser claimed that Riddick started the row, and that he fought in self-defense. Neither was hurt, except for a few scratches and bruises.

FARM INSTITUTES ALONG WATERWAYS

Will Make Effort to Improve Agricultural Conditions on James and York Rivers.

TRAVEL BY STEAMBOAT

Old Dominion Company to Aid Movement for Intensive Farming.

Farmers' institute trains, which had their origin in Virginia, and are now being run in every Southern State, are great institutions. It is probable that they have done more to awaken energy and zeal in good farming than anything that has ever been attempted. Praise is due the much abused railway lines. They have seen the value of these institute trains, and they have not been slow to make the best of them. In fact, all of the trunk lines running through Virginia, and not a few of the branch lines, have said to Commissioner Kolner and the Virginia Polytechnic Institute professors, and all the others who are trying to make many blades of grass sprout where a very limited number formerly grew, that the interests of the railways and the interests of the farmers are identical.

Of course, the more the farmers raise to ship, whether it be corn or tobacco, wheat or hay, dairy products or vegetables, watermelons or cucumbers, calves or sheep, the more the railways have to ship. And so the railways have not been slow to furnish well equipped trains on which these modern lecturers may travel and tell the folks how best to make these products.

On the Water Routes. A great part of Virginia depends upon its water routes for transportation, and it is probable that the steamboats that ply the waters of the old State haul very nearly as much of the product of the land as do the railway lines. The people who run these steamboats are not asleep by any means. Full well they know that the more the farmers on the banks of the streams they navigate raise for market, the larger will be their freight receipts. The Old Dominion Steamship Company knows that Nansemond River, James River, Mobjack Bay, Pagan River, East River, North River, Ware River and Severn River and a whole lot of points on the Chesapeake Bay that its ships can touch are naturally rich, and can be made much richer if the fertile lands on these streams are touched by the intelligent farmer. The steamship folks want these farmers to raise more stuff, and wise business folks that they are, they are offering every inducement that leads to this end.

Old Dominion to the Front. State Commissioner Kolner only had to offer a hint, and the Old Dominion Company came right to the front and offered one of the best little vessels of the line to take the farm lecturers down the James and up the York, that the farmers along those streams may be told about modern farming.

Accordingly the good ship Ocracoke has been placed at the disposal of the Agricultural Department, and it will leave here bright and early Thursday morning, July 15, and farmers' inspectors will be held at the following places: On Tuesday, July 13, at Landing, from 9 A. M. to 11 A. M.; at Scotland, from 2 P. M. to 3:30 P. M.; at Fergusson, from 5 P. M. to 6:30 P. M.; Friday, July 16, at Gloucester Point, from 9 A. M. to 11 A. M.; at Claybank, from 12 M. to 2 P. M.; and at Allmon, from 2:30 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.; on Saturday, July 17, the meetings will be held at Dixonsdale, from 9 A. M. to 10:30 A. M.; at Hicks, from 11:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M.; and at Williams's, from 1:30 P. M. to 3 P. M.

Orators of the Occasion. The cruise will be under the personal management of Commissioner G. W. Kolner, of the State Agricultural Department, and John F. Mayer, of the Old Dominion Steamship Company, and the speakers and subjects so far as announced will be as follows: Col. K. C. Johnson, of the Norfolk Truck Experiment Station, on "Trucking"; W. V. Sprout, on "Potatoes as a Money Crop"; S. B. Helges, on "Improving the Crop of Wheat"; W. C. Gresham, of the State Experiment Station, on "Butter Making on the Farm"; and a lecturer from the National Department of Agriculture on subjects of his own selection.

It is also probable, that a Times-Dispatch representative will be along to talk about good roads.

It is understood that the farmers along the James and the York are making arrangements to attend these "institutes on water" in great numbers.

CHAMBER WILL ACT ON CONSOLIDATION

Committee to Discuss Manchester's Proposition for Union of Cities To-Night.

The Chamber of Commerce committee on consolidation of Richmond and Manchester has been called to meet at the Jefferson Hotel to-night at 8:30 o'clock to consider the proposition made by the Manchester Council, along with the preliminary ordinance adopted by the Council of this city. Each member of the committee has a copy of a proposition, and a statement of the financial and physical conditions of Richmond and Manchester.

Members of the committee are expected to express their opinions on plans for consolidation, and as soon after as possible consult with the Business Men's Association of Manchester and Chesterfield. The proposition will then go in the form of a resolution from these associations to the Council committees of the two cities for their consideration. The Chamber of Commerce committee is composed of the following members: Henry W. Wood, chairman; William T. Dabney, secretary; Thomas B. McAdams, James D. Crump, L. E. Morris, Charles E. Wingo, L. O. Miller, T. M. Carrington, S. M. Woodward and M. E. Marouse.

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DECLARE HOTEL IS BANKRUPT

The Mecklenburg, of Chase City, Reported to Be Seriously Involved.

Deputy United States Marshal Asa Rogers left yesterday for Mecklenburg to serve a petition of involuntary bankruptcy on the Mecklenburg Hotel, of Chase City, which is said to have liabilities reaching nearly to \$235,000, with assets of only about \$150,000. The creditors have placed their case in the hands of E. W. Hudgins, of Chase City, and W. S. McNeil, of Richmond, who are acting jointly in the matter.

The two lawyers represent four creditors—Williams & Robertson, of Chase City; W. H. Gilham, of Atlanta; W. L. Moore, of Chase City; Philip T. Crowell, of Chase City. W. T. Hughes is manager of the hotel. Most of the stock is said to be held by the Davis estate, of Norfolk.

It was stated last night that the books of the hotel are in a bad condition and that it will require considerable work to straighten them out. Recently the building was partially destroyed by fire, and the creditors hope that if the insurance is paid they will receive 75 cents on the dollar. If the insurance is not paid they will not receive more than 50 cents on the dollar.

The hotel people will be required within fifteen days to show cause why they should not be declared bankrupt. The date for the hearing has not been decided. The papers, it was stated last night, will be served to-day.

Test New Pipe Organ. Professor Ernest H. Cosby, of the Richmond Conservatory of Music, is leaving to-day for Chatham, where he will give the inaugural recital on the new organ in the Episcopal Church there. He will return early Wednesday morning.

Visiting in Kentucky. Accompanied by Rev. and Mrs. H. D. C. MacLachlan, Miss May Virginia Snyder left yesterday to visit friends in Kentucky and Missouri.

POLICE REPORT TWO BIRD TIGERS

Charges of Selling Liquor Without License Continued in Police Court.

The cases against Samuel Clarke and Joseph Purnell, colored, each charged with selling liquor without a license on Sunday, were continued, the one to July 14, and the other to July 15, in the Police Court yesterday. Purnell was bailed in the sum of \$500.

Ernest Willingham, Percy Carter and C. E. Watkins, young colored boys, were dismissed of the charge of stealing a lot of crockery from W. E. Vaden. J. H. Roane, white, charged with assaulting E. C. Roane, was dismissed. L. E. Allen, white, charged with stealing a bicycle from Claude Parsons, was sentenced to thirty days in jail.

Calvin Young, colored, suspected of having knowingly passed counterfeit coins, was turned over to the United States authorities. The case will come up later.

John Adams, colored, charged with breaking into the residence of Robert Walker and stealing three rings, was sent on to the grand jury.

Margie Bolden, a colored man, charged with threatening John H. Robinson, and with being disorderly in the First Union Baptist Church, colored, was dismissed on the payment of costs.

Mark Armstrong, white, was fined \$20 and placed under \$100 security for ninety days on a charge of assaulting Mrs. Ferguson.

First Regiment Encampment. Arrangements are now being made by Major Hunsdon Cary, battalion commander of the First Regiment, with the State military authorities for the summer encampment, and it is believed that the matter will be decided in all of its details by the latter part of this week.

Charles, the Fisherman. Charles Straus, who has been on a fishing trip to Ocean View, proved himself the champion fisherman of this section, having caught nearly a boatload of fish in a two days' outing.

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STAY AT HOME FOR SUMMER HEALTH

Commissioner Williams Says City Life May Be Made More Comfortable Than Country.

Dr. Ennon G. Williams, State Health Commissioner, is of the opinion that the lonely grass widower, left in town during the summer while his wife and family visit the springs and summer resorts, has something the best of it so far as health is concerned. Discussing town life in the summer time yesterday, he said:

"The men and women who have to spend the summer months in the cities of Virginia are generally held up as objects of sympathy by their friends; but, as a matter of fact, they can really be much more comfortable, by proper care, than many persons who spend the summer in the country or at distant resorts."

"The secret of summer comfort in the city is to be found in a correct combination of moderate work, cautious living and recreation. These three factors can be so combined as to make city life truly enjoyable even in summer."

"Much depends upon suitable clothing. In the hot months, all unnecessary clothing should be discarded and comfort should be sought in the style of clothing used. At the same time, changes in the weather should always be a signal for changes in clothing."

"Unnecessary draughts should be avoided as far as possible. Of course, in very hot weather, this advice will be often disregarded. But, at least, the stiff breezes of street cars should be avoided by persons when overheated. Summer coats are generally contracted in this way, and they are among the most annoying and troublesome of minor ills."

"Recreation in the cooler hours of the day should always be sought. When it is impossible to go to the park, the back yard or the front yard should be used. In many cases, a very convenient little lounging place may be arranged on the roof of the house. A few dollars spent in having a false floor laid on the roof will not only lessen the heat in the upper-story rooms, but it will give the family a roof-garden that can be used almost as soon as the sun is set. Generally, the entire family will find fresh air and cool breezes on such a roof-garden, no matter how hot it may be inside the house."

DAILY COURT RECORD

U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit will convene here to-day to hold its special July session. The judges who will probably be in attendance are Hon. Nathan Goff, U. S. circuit judge of Clarksville, W. Va.; Hon. J. C. Pritchard, U. S. circuit judge of Asheville, N. C.; and Hon. Edmund Waddill, Jr., U. S. district judge of this city. There will probably be several opinions handed down to-day and during the session.

Major Anderson Away. Attorney General William A. Anderson is at his home in Lexington, where he is spending his vacation. Major Anderson will probably return here for a few days toward the latter part of July to look after some important matters, though he will go back to Lexington in time to cast his vote in the Democratic State primary, which will take place on August 5.



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